(b) what are the details of the plans of IITs to have multi-campuses in different cities;

(c) whether IITs will be allowed to expand in States where they have no presence; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) No such proposal has been received from IIT, Bombay. However, proposals for opening Centres in NOIDA (U.P.) has been received from IIT, Roorkee and IIT, Kanpur.

(c) & (d) No decision in this regard has so far been taken by the Government.

Fatwas to educational institutes

1964. SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some regional organizations issued Fatwas in 3000 educational institutes, for not singing of National Anthem, at Hyderabad and Secunderabad in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether it is also a fact that these organizations have given representation to the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh to sing a song "Sare Jahan se Accha" instead of "Vandematharam" in schools; and

(c) if so, the action his Ministry propose to take against such organizations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) No Sir.

(b) As per the information furnished by Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, no such representation has been received from any organization.

(c) Does not arise.

Mid-day meal scheme in Rajasthan

1965. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Centrally-sponsored Mid-day Meal Scheme being run in Rajasthan;

(b) the details of the budget allocated and the targets achieved for the year 2005-06;

(c) the fresh allocations made during the current year 2006-07;

(d) whether any survey has been undertaken to evaluate the quantitative and qualitative success of this scheme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) Under the Centrally-sponsored Mid-Day Meal Scheme, cooked mid-day meal is being provided in Rajasthan to children studying at Primary stage in Govt., Govt.-aided schools and Education Guarantee Scheme and Alternative & Innovative Education centres.

(b) During 2005-06, Rs. 11776.18 lakh was released to Government of Rajasthan towards cooking cost and Management, Monitoring & Evaluation components. 73.35 lakh children were covered under the programme.

(c) For 2006-07, Programme Approval Board has approved Rs. 13331.28 lakh. With the revision of the scheme in June, 2006, the State Government has become eligible for more Central assistance at the revised rates.

(d) and (e) The State Government has informed that it has not conducted any survey or evaluation study.

Removal of certain parts from text books

†1966. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Madhya Pradesh has deleted the poems and memoirs about the first Prime Minister of the country and his wife Smt. Kamla Nehru from the text books;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.